

CLAIMS

1. An individualized security document such as a passport, savings book or bankbook or the like which has a number of pages which are joined together by means of a fixing (16) or adhesive, characterized in that incorporated into the security document (10) by means of the fixing (16) or adhesive is a transfer film (18) which is provided with security elements and which has a base film (20) and a decorative layer arrangement (22) having the security elements, and that the decorative layer arrangement (22) has an adhesive layer (56) on the side remote from the base film (20).

2. An individualized security document as set forth in claim 1 characterized in that the base film (20) of the transfer film (18) provided with security elements comprises a transparent or non-transparent plastic material.

3. An individualized security document as set forth in claim 1 characterized in that the base film (20) of the transfer film (18) which is provided with security elements comprises paper or a paper-like substrate.

4. An individualized security document as set forth in claim 1 and claim 3 characterized in that the decorative layer arrangement (20) having security elements is temporarily connected by means of a release layer (36) to a carrier film (38) which is permanently connected to the base film (20) by means of a permanent adhesive (40).

5. An individualized security document as set forth in claim 3 or claim 4 characterized in that the base film (20) has at least one window opening.

6. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 1 through 5 characterized in that the decorative layer arrangement

(22) is applied in the form of a label to the base film (20) or to the carrier film (38) which is permanently connected to the base film (20).

7. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 1 through 5 characterized in that the decorative layer arrangement (22) is laminated onto the base film (20) or onto the carrier film (38) which is permanently connected to the base film (20).

8. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 1 through 8 characterized in that the decorative layer arrangement (22) is transparent or partially transparent.

9. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 1 through 8 characterized in that the base film (20) and/or the carrier film (38) is provided with position markings and/or with numberings (barcodes).

10. An individualized security document in particular as set forth in one of claims 1 through 9 characterized in that at least the base film (20) is provided with a perforation (24) for cutting out the base film (20) or the base film (20) with the carrier film (38) permanently connected thereto.

11. An individualized security document as set forth in claim 10 characterized in that the perforation (24) is provided only in the base film (20) and the decorative layer arrangement (22) is laterally spaced from the perforation (24).

12. An individualized security document as set forth in claim 10 characterized in that the perforation (24) extends through the base film (20) and through the decorative layer arrangement (22).

13. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 10 through 12 characterized in that the perforation (24) of the transfer film (18) having security elements is provided in coincident

relationship with the fixing (16) or adhesive of the security document (10) and the transfer film (18) provided with security elements is fixed by means of the fixing (16) or adhesive in the security document (10).

14. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 10 through 12 characterized in that the perforation (24) of the transfer film (18) having security elements is disposed laterally displaced with respect to the fixing (16) or adhesive of the security document (10) and the edge region (32) of the transfer film (18), which edge region is defined by the perforation (24), is fixed in the security document (10) by means of the fixing (16) or adhesive in such a way that a base film strip (24) remains on both sides of the fixing (16).

15. An individualized security document as set forth in claim 14 characterized in that the base film (20) comprises a security paper having security features.

16. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 1 through 15 characterized in that the transfer film (18) provided with security elements is of surface dimensions adapted to a page of the security document (10).

17. An individualized security document as set forth in one of claims 1 through 15 characterized in that the transfer film (18) provided with security elements is of surface dimensions adapted to a double page of the security document (10).